

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 713

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A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Mary W. Freeman as Director of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, creates the Tennessee regulatory authority; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, authorizes the governor, the speaker of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives jointly to appoint one director of the Tennessee regulatory authority; and

WHEREAS, Governor Phil Bredesen, Speaker Jimmy Naifeh and Speaker Ron Ramsey have jointly appointed Mary W. Freeman of Nashville, Tennessee, to serve as director of the Tennessee regulatory authority; Ms. Freeman will serve for a term that will expire on June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Mary W. Freeman is a graduate of Tennessee State University with a bachelor's of science degree in speech communications; and

WHEREAS, Mary W. Freeman ably served as executive assistant to Speaker Pro Tempore Lois DeBerry for over ten years and during that time was involved in the development of a host of public policy initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Freeman served Governor Bredesen and the state of Tennessee as a legislative liaison to the general assembly from 2003 through 2005; and

WHEREAS, in 2005, Governor Bredesen appointed Ms. Freeman director of legislation, overseeing the development of Governor Bredesen's legislative initiatives; and

WHEREAS; Ms. Freeman serves as a member of the Davidson County Community Corrections Program, as a participant with the St. Luke Geriatric Center, Inc. and the Creative Artist of Tennessee, and is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101 provides that each appointment to the Tennessee regulatory authority shall be confirmed by a joint resolution of the general assembly; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Mary W. Freeman to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority.